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Response to Office Action of July 30, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
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UNITED STATES

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

This paper is being filed in response to the
Official Action mailed on July 30, 2003.

PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME FOR RESPONSE

Applicants petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for
an extension of two months for filing this response. A fee
transmittal form, PTO/SB17 (01-03), is attached authorizing
the Commissioner to charge the fee prescribed under 37 C.F.R.
§ 1.17(a)(1) to deposit account number 50-1230 in the name of
Martin A. Hay & Co. The Commissioner is further authorized to
charge any underpayment or refund any overpayment of this fee
to this deposit account.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the claims as presented in the next
section entitled "Amendments to the Claims", beginning at page
3 of this paper.